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"AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTRIC CONSUMPTION REDUCTION NOTICES."

- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
- 2 following in lieu thereof:
- 3 "Section 1. Section 16-1 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2007*):
- 5 (a) Terms used in this title and in chapters 244, 244a, 244b, 245, 245a
- 6 and 245b* shall be construed as follows, unless another meaning is
- 7 expressed or is clearly apparent from the language or context:
- 8 (1) "Authority" means the Public Utilities Control Authority and
- 9 "department" means the Department of Public Utility Control;
- 10 (2) "Commissioner" means a member of said authority;
- 11 (3) "Commissioner of Transportation" means the Commissioner of
- 12 Transportation appointed under section 13b-3;

(4) "Public service company" includes electric, electric distribution, telegraph, pipeline, telephone, sewage, transportation and community antenna television companies, owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling plants or parts of plants or equipment, and all express companies having special privileges on railroads within this state, but shall not include telegraph company functions concerning intrastate money order service, towns, cities, boroughs, any municipal corporation or department thereof, whether separately incorporated or not, a private power producer, as defined in section 16-243b, or an exempt wholesale generator, as defined in 15 USC 79z-5a;

- (5) "Plant" includes all real estate, buildings, tracks, pipes, mains, poles, wires and other fixed or stationary construction and equipment, wherever located, used in the conduct of the business of the company;
- (6) "Railroad company" includes every person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling any railroad, or any cars or other equipment employed thereon or in connection therewith, for public or general use within this state;
- (7) "Street railway company" includes every person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling any street railway, or any cars or other equipment employed thereon or in connection therewith, for public or general use within this state;
- (8) "Electric company" includes, until an electric company has been unbundled in accordance with the provisions of section 16-244e, every person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling poles, wires, conduits or other fixtures, along public highways or streets, for the transmission or distribution of electric current for sale for light, heat or power within this state, or, engaged in generating electricity to be so transmitted or distributed for such purpose, but shall not include (A) a private power producer, as defined in section 16-243b, (B) an exempt wholesale generator, as defined in 15 USC 79z-5a, (C) a municipal electric utility established

under chapter 101, (D) a municipal electric energy cooperative established under chapter 101a, (E) an electric cooperative established under chapter 597, or (F) any other electric utility owned, leased, maintained, operated, managed or controlled by any unit of local government under any general statute or any public or special act;

- (9) "Gas company" includes every person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling mains, pipes or other fixtures, in public highways or streets, for the transmission or distribution of gas for sale for heat or power within this state, or engaged in the manufacture of gas to be so transmitted or distributed for such purpose, but shall not include a person manufacturing gas through the use of a biomass gasification plant provided such person does not own, lease, maintain, operate, manage or control mains, pipes or other fixtures in public highways or streets, a municipal gas utility established under chapter 101 or any other gas utility owned, leased, maintained, operated, managed or controlled by any unit of local government under any general statute or any public or special act;
- (10) "Water company" includes every person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling any pond, lake, reservoir, stream, well or distributing plant or system employed for the purpose of supplying water to fifty or more consumers. A water company does not include homeowners, condominium associations providing water only to their members, homeowners associations providing water to customers at least eighty per cent of whom are members of such associations, a municipal waterworks system established under chapter 102, a district, metropolitan district, municipal district or special services district established under chapter 105, chapter 105a or any other general statute or any public or special act which is authorized to supply water, or any other waterworks system owned, leased, maintained, operated, managed or controlled by any unit of local government under any general statute or any public or special act;
- 77 (11) "Consumer" means any private dwelling, boardinghouse,

apartment, store, office building, institution, mechanical or manufacturing establishment or other place of business or industry to which water is supplied by a water company;

- (12) "Sewage company" includes every person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling, for general use in any town, city or borough, or portion thereof, in this state, sewage disposal facilities which discharge treated effluent into any waterway of this state;
- (13) "Pipeline company" includes every person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling mains, pipes or other fixtures through, over, across or under any public land, water, parkways, highways, parks or public grounds for the transportation, transmission or distribution of petroleum products for hire within this state;
- (14) "Community antenna television company" includes every person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling a community antenna television system, in, under or over any public street or highway, for the purpose of providing community antenna television service for hire and shall include any municipality which owns or operates one or more plants for the manufacture or distribution of electricity pursuant to section 7-213 or any special act and seeks to obtain or obtains a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct or operate a community antenna television system pursuant to section 16-331;
- (15) "Community antenna television service" means (A) the one-way transmission to subscribers of video programming or information that a community antenna television company makes available to all subscribers generally, and subscriber interaction, if any, which is required for the selection of such video programming or information, and (B) noncable communications service;
- 108 (16) "Community antenna television system" means a facility, 109 consisting of a set of closed transmission paths and associated signal

110 generation, reception and control equipment that is designed to 111 provide community antenna television service which includes video 112 programming and which is provided in, under or over any public 113 street or highway, for hire, to multiple subscribers within a franchise, 114 but such term does not include (A) a facility that serves only to 115 retransmit the television signals of one or more television broadcast 116 stations; (B) a facility that serves only subscribers in one or more 117 multiple unit dwellings under common ownership, control or 118 management, unless such facility is located in, under or over a public 119 street or highway; (C) a facility of a common carrier which is subject, in 120 whole or in part, to the provisions of Subchapter II of Chapter 5 of the 121 Communications Act of 1934, 47 USC 201 et seq., as amended, except 122 that such facility shall be considered a community antenna television 123 system and the carrier shall be considered a public service company to 124 the extent such facility is used in the transmission of video 125 programming directly to subscribers; or (D) a facility of an electric 126 company which is used solely for operating its electric company 127 systems;

- 128 (17) "Video programming" means programming provided by, or 129 generally considered comparable to programming provided by, a 130 television broadcast station;
- 131 (18)"Noncable communications service" means any 132 telecommunications service, as defined in section 16-247a, and which is 133 not included in the definition of "cable service" in the Communications 134 Act of 1934, 47 USC 522, as amended. Nothing in this definition shall 135 be construed to affect service which is both authorized and preempted 136 pursuant to federal law;
- 137 (19) "Public service motor vehicle" includes all motor vehicles used 138 for the transportation of passengers for hire;
- (20) "Motor bus" includes any public service motor vehicle operated
 in whole or in part upon any street or highway, by indiscriminately
 receiving or discharging passengers, or operated on a regular route or

over any portion thereof, or operated between fixed termini, and any public service motor vehicle operated over highways within this state between points outside this state or between points within this state

- and points outside this state;
- (21) "Cogeneration technology" means the use for the generation of electricity of exhaust steam, waste steam, heat or resultant energy from an industrial, commercial or manufacturing plant or process, or the use of exhaust steam, waste steam or heat from a thermal power plant for an industrial, commercial or manufacturing plant or process, but shall not include steam or heat developed solely for electrical power generation;
- 153 (22) "Renewable fuel resources" means energy sources described in 154 subdivisions (26) and (27) of this subsection;
- 155 (23) "Telephone company" means a telecommunications company 156 that provides one or more noncompetitive or emerging competitive 157 services, as defined in section 16-247a;
- 158 (24) "Domestic telephone company" includes any telephone 159 company which has been chartered by or organized or constituted 160 within or under the laws of this state;
 - (25) "Telecommunications company" means a person that provides telecommunications service, as defined in section 16-247a, within the state, but shall not mean a person that provides only (A) private telecommunications service, as defined in section 16-247a, (B) the one-way transmission of video programming or other programming services to subscribers, (C) subscriber interaction, if any, which is required for the selection of such video programming or other programming services, (D) the two-way transmission of educational or instructional programming to a public or private elementary or secondary school, or a public or independent institution of higher education, as required by the department pursuant to a community antenna television company franchise agreement, or provided pursuant to a contract with such a school or institution which contract

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has been filed with the department, or (E) a combination of the services set forth in subparagraphs (B) to (D), inclusive, of this subdivision;

- (26) "Class I renewable energy source" means (A) energy derived from solar power, wind power, a fuel cell, methane gas from landfills, ocean thermal power, wave or tidal power, low emission advanced renewable energy conversion technologies, a run-of-the-river hydropower facility provided such facility has a generating capacity of not more than five megawatts, does not cause an appreciable change in the river flow, and began operation after July 1, 2003, or a sustainable biomass facility with an average emission rate of equal to or less than .075 pounds of nitrogen oxides per million BTU of heat input for the previous calendar quarter, except that energy derived from a sustainable biomass facility with a capacity of less than five hundred kilowatts that began construction before July 1, 2003, may be considered a Class I renewable energy source, or (B) any electrical generation, including distributed generation, generated from a Class I renewable energy source;
 - (27) "Class II renewable energy source" means energy derived from a trash-to-energy facility, a biomass facility that began operation before July 1, 1998, provided the average emission rate for such facility is equal to or less than .2 pounds of nitrogen oxides per million BTU of heat input for the previous calendar quarter, or a run-of-the-river hydropower facility provided such facility has a generating capacity of not more than five megawatts, does not cause an appreciable change in the riverflow, and began operation prior to July 1, 2003;
 - (28) "Electric distribution services" means the owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling of poles, wires, conduits or other fixtures along public highways or streets for the distribution of electricity, or electric distribution-related services;
- (29) "Electric distribution company" or "distribution company" means any person providing electric transmission or distribution services within the state, including an electric company, subject to

subparagraph (F) of this subdivision, but does not include: (A) A private power producer, as defined in section 16-243b; (B) a municipal electric utility established under chapter 101, other than a participating municipal electric utility; (C) a municipal electric energy cooperative established under chapter 101a; (D) an electric cooperative established under chapter 597; (E) any other electric utility owned, leased, maintained, operated, managed or controlled by any unit of local government under any general statute or special act; (F) after an electric company has been unbundled in accordance with the provisions of section 16-244e, a generation entity or affiliate of the former electric company; or (G) an electric supplier;

(30) "Electric supplier" means any person, including an electric aggregator or participating municipal electric utility that is licensed by the Department of Public Utility Control in accordance with section 16-245, that provides electric generation services to end use customers in the state using the transmission or distribution facilities of an electric distribution company, regardless of whether or not such person takes title to such generation services, but does not include: (A) A municipal electric utility established under chapter 101, other than a participating municipal electric utility; (B) a municipal electric energy cooperative established under chapter 101a; (C) an electric cooperative established under chapter 597; (D) any other electric utility owned, leased, maintained, operated, managed or controlled by any unit of local government under any general statute or special act; or (E) an electric distribution company in its provision of electric generation services in accordance with subsection (a) or, prior to January 1, 2004, subsection (c) of section 16-244c;

(31) "Electric aggregator" means (A) a person, municipality or regional water authority that gathers together electric customers for the purpose of negotiating the purchase of electric generation services from an electric supplier, or (B) the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority, if it gathers together electric customers for the purpose of negotiating the purchase of electric generation services from an electric supplier, provided such person, municipality or authority is not

engaged in the purchase or resale of electric generation services, and

- 241 provided further such customers contract for electric generation
- services directly with an electric supplier, and may include an electric
- 243 cooperative established pursuant to chapter 597;

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- 244 (32) "Electric generation services" means electric energy, electric 245 capacity or generation-related services;
- 246 (33) "Electric transmission services" means electric transmission or transmission-related services;
 - (34) "Generation entity or affiliate" means a corporate affiliate or, as provided in subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 16-244e, a separate division of an electric company after unbundling has occurred pursuant to section 16-244e, that provides electric generation services;
- 252 (35) "Participating municipal electric utility" means a municipal electric utility established under chapter 101 or any other electric utility owned, leased, maintained, operated, managed or controlled by any unit of local government under any general statute or any public or special act, that is authorized by the department in accordance with section 16-245c to provide electric generation services to end use customers outside its service area, as defined in section 16-245c;
- 259 (36) "Person" means an individual, business, firm, corporation, 260 association, joint stock association, trust, partnership or limited 261 liability company;
- 262 (37) "Regional independent system operator" means the "ISO New 263 England, Inc.", or its successor organization as approved by the 264 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission;
- 265 (38) "Certified telecommunications provider" means a person 266 certified by the department to provide intrastate telecommunications 267 services, as defined in section 16-247a, pursuant to sections 16-247f to 268 16-247h, inclusive;
- 269 (39) "Gas registrant" means a person registered to sell natural gas

- 270 pursuant to section 16-258a;
- 271 (40) "Customer-side distributed resources" means (A) the generation 272 of electricity from a unit with a rating of not more than sixty-five 273 megawatts on the premises of a retail end user within the transmission 274 and distribution system including, but not limited to, fuel cells, 275 photovoltaic systems or small wind turbines, or (B) a reduction in the 276 demand for electricity on the premises of a retail end user in the 277 distribution system through methods of conservation and load 278 management, including, but not limited to, peak reduction systems 279 and demand response systems;
- 280 (41) "Federally mandated congestion charges" means any cost 281 approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission as part of 282 New England Standard Market Design including, but not limited to, 283 locational marginal pricing, locational installed capacity payments, any 284 cost approved by the Department of Public Utility Control to reduce 285 federally mandated congestion charges in accordance with section 7-286 233y, this section, sections 16-19ss, 16-32f, 16-50i, 16-50k, 16-50x, 16-287 243i to 16-243q, inclusive, 16-244c, 16-244e, 16-245m, 16-245n, and 16-288 245z, and section 21 of public act 05-1 of the June special session** and 289 reliability must run contracts;
 - (42) "Combined heat and power system" means a system that produces, from a single source, both electric power and thermal energy used in any process that results in an aggregate reduction in electricity use;
 - (43) "Grid-side distributed resources" means the generation of electricity from a unit with a rating of not more than sixty-five megawatts that is connected to the transmission or distribution system, which units may include, but are not limited to, units used primarily to generate electricity to meet peak demand;
- 299 (44) "Class III renewable energy source" means the electricity output 300 from combined heat and power systems with an operating efficiency 301 level of no less than fifty per cent that are part of customer-side

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distributed resources developed at commercial and industrial facilities in this state on or after January 1, 2006, or the electricity savings created at commercial and industrial facilities in this state from conservation and load management programs begun on or after January 1, 2006; [and]

- (45) "Sustainable biomass" means biomass that is cultivated and harvested in a sustainable manner. "Sustainable biomass" does not mean construction and demolition waste, as defined in section 22a-208x, finished biomass products from sawmills, paper mills or stud mills, organic refuse fuel derived separately from municipal solid waste, or biomass from old growth timber stands, except where (A) such biomass is used in a biomass gasification plant that received funding prior to May 1, 2006, from the Renewable Energy Investment Fund established pursuant to section 16-245n, or (B) the energy derived from such biomass is subject to a long-term power purchase contract pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (j) of section 16-244c entered into prior to May 1, 2006, or (C) prior to July 1, 2007, such biomass is used in a renewable energy facility that was approved by the department prior to October 1, 2005; and
- 321 (46) "Steam transportation company" means the Hartford Steam
 322 Company, its successors and assigns, chartered pursuant to special act
 323 61-7.
 - (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes to the contrary, as used in the general statutes, the terms "utility", "public utility" and "public service company" shall be deemed to include a community antenna television company, except (1) as otherwise provided in sections 16-8, 16-27, 16-28 and 16-43, (2) that no provision of the general statutes, including but not limited to, the provisions of sections 16-6b and 16-19, shall subject a community antenna television company to regulation as a common carrier or utility by reason of providing community antenna television service, other than noncable communications service, as provided in Subchapter V-A of Chapter 5 of the Communications Act of 1934, 47 USC 521 et seq., as amended,

and (3) that no provision of the general statutes, including but not limited to, sections 16-6b and 16-19, shall apply to community antenna television companies to the extent any such provision is preempted pursuant to any other provision of the Communications Act of 1934, 47 USC 151 et seq., as amended, any other federal act or any regulation adopted thereunder."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	Iulu 1, 2007	16-1